



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Applicant : Levinson *et al.*
Serial No. : 10/713,889
Filed : November 14, 2003
Title : WATER-SOLUBLE MESOPORPHYRIN COMPOUNDS
AND METHODS OF PREPARATION
Examiner : Ganapathy Krishnan
Art Unit : 1623
Attorney Docket No. : 331640-73

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

March 26, 2009

PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH
EXTENSION OF TIME

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully request that the time for responding to the final rejection of the claims, as manifested by Office Action mailed September 26, 2008, be and is hereby extended for three months, up to and including March 26, 2009. Applicants enclose herewith a check in the amount of \$555 to cover the fee required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3).

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It is believed that no further fees are due. However, if any further fee is due it should be charged to Deposit Account No.: 03-0678. Similarly, any credit for overpayment should be credited to Deposit Account No.: 03-0678.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

Deposit Date: March 26, 2009

I hereby certify that this paper and the attachments hereto are being deposited today with the U.S. Postal Service with sufficient postage as First Class Mail to Addressee, under 37 CFR 1.8, on the date indicated above addressed to:

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